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MISSISSIPPI VALLEY DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P.O. BOX 80 VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI 39181-0080

CEMVD-PD-KM

4 Apr 08

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Memphis District

SUBJECT: White River Comprehensive Basin Study, Ecosystem Planning Center of Expertise Recommendation for Approval of Peer Review Plan

## 1. References:

- a. EC 1105-2-408, Peer Review of Decision Documents, 31 May 2005.
- b. Multiple memorandum, CECW-CP, 30 March 2007, subject: Peer Review Process.
- c. Supplement to memorandum, CEMVD-PD-N, 30 March 2007, subject: Peer Review Process.
- d. Memorandum, CEMVD-PD-N, 22 February 2008, subject as above (encl).
- 2. I hereby approve the subject Peer Review Plan (PRP) and concur in the recommendation that independent technical review and external peer review of this project are necessary due to the magnitude of the study and the potential for controversy regarding environmental and social impacts. The proposed PRP was coordinated with, and concurred in by, the National Ecosystem Planning Center of Expertise (ECO-PCX). The PRP complies with all applicable policy and provides an adequate independent technical review of the plan formulation, engineering and environmental analyses, and other aspects of the plan development. Non-substantive changes to this PRP do not require further approval.
- 3. Post the PRP to your web page, provide the ECO-PCX a link for posting on its web page, and furnish a copy of the final approved PRP to the ECO-PCX. In accordance with reference 1.c. above, before posting to your web page, remove the names of Corps/Army employees.

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4. My point of contact for this PRP is Ms. Renee Turner, CEMVD-PD-KM, (601) 634-5818.

Encl

MICHAEL J. WALSH
Brigadier General

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Commanding

CF:

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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

CEMVD-PD-N

22 February 2008

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Mississippi Valley Division ATTN: (James Hannon, CEMVD-PD-KM)

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## 1. References:

- a. EC 1105-2-408, Peer Review of Decision documents, 31 May 2005.
- b. CECW-CP Memorandum and attachment, 30 March 2007, subject: Peer Review Process.
- 2. The proposed PRP has been coordinated with the National Ecosystem Planning Center of Expertise (ECO-PCX) and concurred in by the ECO-PCX. The PRP complies with all applicable policy and provides an adequate independent technical review of the plan formulation, engineering, and environmental analyses, and other aspects of the plan development. The ECO-PCX concurs with the conclusion that External Peer Review (EPR) of this project is necessary because of the magnitude of the study and the potential for controversy regarding environmental and social impacts. Non-substantive changes to this PRP do not require further approval.
- 3. The district should post the PRP to its web site and provide a link to the ECO-PCX for posting on their web page, as well as providing a copy of the final approved PRP to the ECO-PCX for their use. Before posting to the web site the names of Corps/Army employees should be removed in accordance with reference 1.b. above.

4. Conclusion. The ECO-PCX recommends the PRP for approval by MVD.

Rayford Wilbanks

Director, National Ecosystem Planning

Center of Expertise

CF:

CEMVD-RB-T (D. Vigh)

CEMVR-PM-F (C. Knollenberg)

CEMVD-PD-KM (T. Shelton)

CEMVM-EC-H (Z. Cook)

CEMVM-PM-P (C. Hunt, P. Hamm)